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Week ended August 22.

BILLS OF HEALTH ISSUED.

Date.	Vessel.	Crew.	Passengers in transit.	Passengers taken.	Destination.
Aug. 18	Montevideo.....	120	185	46	Porto Rico.
19	Prins Mauritz.....	40	6	9	New York.
20	Brasile.....	126	101	0	Colon.
21	Belgian.....		0	0	Galveston.

Rats examined bacteriologically.....	7
Plague rats.....	0
Rats identified: <i>Mus norvegicus</i>	7
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Rats identified as to sex:	
Male.....	2
Female.....	5
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Plague at Caracas.—One case of pneumonic plague, with 1 death, occurred at Caracas August 16. The usual measures are continued.

The following statistics relative to plague cases to August 1 were received from the president of the sanitary commission:

Total cases of plague.....	21
Bubonic form.....	18
Septicemic form.....	2
Pneumonic form.....	1
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Location of buboes:	
Axillary.....	1
Cervical.....	3
Right inguinal.....	8
Left inguinal.....	3
Both inguinal regions.....	3
	18
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Treatment of cases:	
Extirpation of glands with administration of Yersin's serum (died, 2).....	13
With serum alone (died, 5).....	8
	21

To August 1 a total of 38,500 rats and mice had been destroyed in Caracas; 217 rats were examined bacteriologically, of which number 3 were found infected.

Yellow fever at Maiquetia.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Kellogg reports, August 21:

During the week ended August 21 a case of yellow fever occurred in the outskirts of Maiquetia. Proper precautions are being taken to prevent spread.

Maiquetia is a town and watering place on the coast of Venezuela, a short distance west of La Guaira. A fatal case of yellow fever occurred at Maiquetia May 24, 1909. There was no spread. (See Public Health Reports, June 18, 1909, p. 884.)